GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA

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ALLOTMENT OF LPG AGENCIES IN HIMACHAL PRADESH
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the target fixed for allotment of LPG agencies in Himachal Pradesh during each of the last three years ;

(b) the number of LPG agencies allotted in the State during the said period ;

(c) whether the target has been achieved ; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefore ?

Answer

MINISTER OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS & PANCHAYATI RAJ (SHRI MANI SHANKAR AIYAR)

(a) to (d) : Government have given freedom to Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs) to set up LPG distributorships in accordance with their commercial considerations. The commissioning of LPG distributorships depends upon various factors such as identification of viable locations, release of advertisements, conducting interviews and the ability of the candidate to secure land for godown, showroom etc. In view of these factors, OMCs have stated that it is difficult to fix any specific targets for commissioning LPG distributorships for a particular year. However, OMCs have allotted 33 LPG distributorships in Himachal Pradesh during the last three years.